

**IDEM's** Office of Pollution Prevention and Technical Assistance provides businesses, communities and citizens with a variety of information on its Web site—ranging from how to get free, confidential compliance assistance and tips on pollution prevention to how to get grants for environmental programs and information on source reduction, reuse and recycling. Here are some highlights from OPPTA's online list of topics at [www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/topics](http://www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/topics).

### Award Programs

At [www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/govawards](http://www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/govawards), you'll find guidelines and an application for the **Governor's Awards for Environmental Excellence** along with descriptions of past award recipients' projects. These awards recognize leaders who have implemented outstanding environmental strategies into their operations and decision-making processes.

### Confidential Compliance and Technical Assistance

At [www.IN.gov/idem/ctap](http://www.IN.gov/idem/ctap), you'll find links to IDEM's **Compliance and Technical Assistance Program**. CTAP staff provide confidential phone and on-site assistance to businesses to help them

achieve compliance with environmental regulations. Detailed regulatory information for the industries listed below is available online. For free, confidential assistance, call (800) 988-7901.

- Agriculture;
- Child Care Centers\*;
- Collision Repair/Auto Refinishers\*;
- Degreasing Facilities;
- Drycleaners\*.
- Electroplaters\*;
- Fiberglass Product Manufacturers\*;
- Hospitals;
- Mercury Generators;
- Mineral Aggregates Facilities;
- Printers\*;
- Salvage Yards;
- Surface Coating Facilities;
- Vehicle Maintenance Shops\*;
- Wood Finishing Facilities\*.

\*Compliance manuals and/or recognition program information is available online.

### Grants Available

At [www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/recycling/grants](http://www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/recycling/grants), you'll find guidelines and applications for grants that fund the start-up or expansion of source reduction, recycling, composting, household hazardous waste and waste tire programs.

### Household Hazardous Waste

At [www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/hhw](http://www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/hhw), you'll learn how to properly manage and dispose of household products that contain hazardous substances, such as mercury-containing products; used motor oil, antifreeze and oil filters; batteries; electronic equipment; old paint, stains and varnish; pesticides; fluorescent light bulbs; pool chemicals and more.

### Materials Xchange

At [www.IN.gov/idem/imx](http://www.IN.gov/idem/imx), you'll find the **Indiana Materials Xchange**, a database of surplus and waste materials available from or wanted by industrial and commercial entities. You can easily search the database, place a listing, and sign up for the IMX Listserve, which sends e-mail notices when the database is updated. IMX services are free to all users.

### Mercury

At [www.IN.gov/idem/mercury/](http://www.IN.gov/idem/mercury/), you'll learn why mercury spills are dangerous, what you should do if a mercury spill occurs, what to do if you break a fluorescent light bulb, and where to recycle items that contain mercury.

### Pollution Prevention

At [www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/p2](http://www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/p2), you'll find information from OPPTA's Pollution Prevention Branch—ranging from the basics of pollution prevention and pollution prevention opportunity assessments to P2 success stories and P2 annual reports.

### Publications

At [www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/publications](http://www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/publications), you'll find a complete list of online publications and forms from IDEM's Office of Pollution Prevention and Technical Assistance that are geared toward concerned citizens, business representatives and community leaders.

## Recognition Programs

At [www.IN.gov/idem/ctap/recognition](http://www.IN.gov/idem/ctap/recognition), you'll find links to:

- Guidelines and applications for IDEM's **5-Star Environmental Recognition Programs**, which recognize child care facilities, drycleaners, metal finishers and vehicle maintenance shops that go above and beyond the rules to protect the environment;
- The federal **WasteWise Program**, which recognizes businesses that cut costs and conserve natural resources through solid waste reduction; and
- The national **Hospitals for a Healthy Environment** program, which recognizes health care facilities that reduce waste and waste disposal costs and become better environmental stewards and neighbors.

**IDEM** encourages you to find businesses in your community that participate in a recognition program and to support their environmental efforts by purchasing their services and/or products.

## Recycling Locations

At [www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/recycling](http://www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/recycling), you'll find **Indiana Recycling Locations**, a database you can search by county to find curbside recycling and drop-off locations in your community.

## Source Reduction, Reuse and Recycling

At [www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/recycling](http://www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/recycling), you'll find information from OPPTA's Source Reduction and Recycling Branch—ranging from composting and buying recycled to pay-as-you-throw programs and reducing unwanted mail.

## Toxic Chemical Releases

At [www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/tri](http://www.IN.gov/idem/oppta/tri), you'll find the **Toxic Release Inventory**, a database you can search by county, manufacturer or chemical to find what toxic chemicals and environmental waste are being released into the environment, which companies are making the releases, and how this data changes from year to year.

### Indiana Department of Environmental Management

[www.IN.gov/idem](http://www.IN.gov/idem)  
(800) 451-6027

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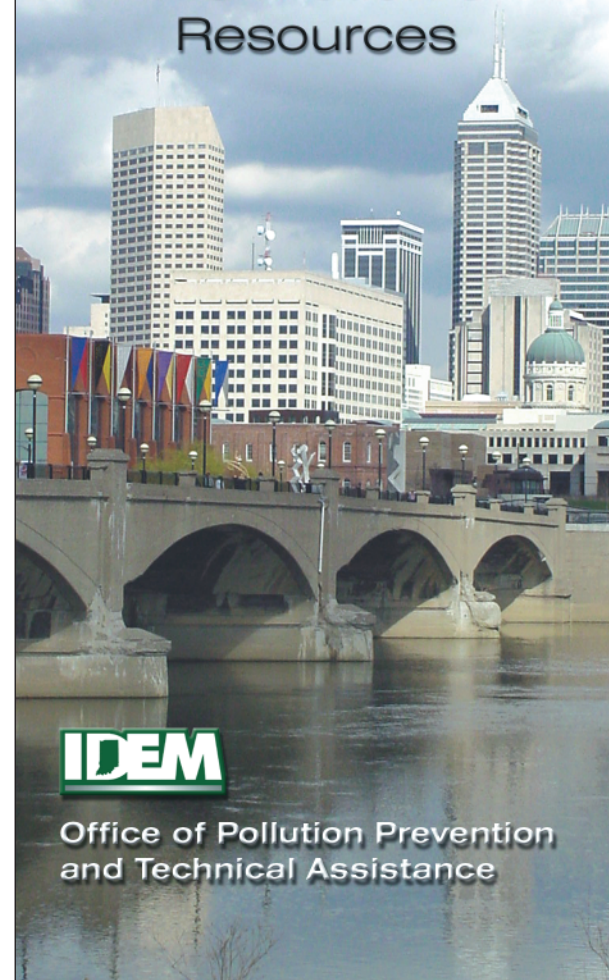
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